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Cromwell Advertisements



DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,
WHOLESALE
AND
RETAIL
FAMILY GROCERS,
AND
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

D. A. JOLLY & CO. desire to return thanks to the people of Cromwell and the surrounding districts for the liberal encouragement they have received since opening the above establishment; and as they intend devoting their attention exclusively to the Grocery and Wine and Spirit trade, they confidently hope, from their connection in Dunedin, to be able to place before the public a genuine class of goods, well and carefully selected, at prices that cannot fail to give general satisfaction. They would respectfully invite attention more especially to the following articles in stock:

Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests, and boxes. Coffees not to be surpassed in quality. Cocoa and Chocolate of the best brands. Sugar—crystals and crushed loaf. Raisins—Muscatel, Sultana, and Eleme. Sams, Jellies, Pickles, and Sauces. Bacon, Cheese, and Butter of prime quality. Tobacco—Imperial Ruby Twist, Barrett's Twists, Old Sport, and romantic. Oil—Salad, Castor, and Kerosene. Candies of the best brands. Soaps—Blue Mottled, Yellow, and Scented in bars and cakes, &c., &c.

GRAIN.

Wakatip Oats, Wheat, and Chaff. SPIRITS. Islay Whisky—Arbeg's and Long Jones' Hennessey's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk and case. J. D. K. Z. Geneva. Burnett's Old Tom. Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk. Porter—Blood's, Bass's, and Guinness's CORDIALS. Ginger Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint, Lemon Syrup, &c., &c. Dr Townsend's Sarsaparilla.

Families waited on for orders, and goods delivered in all parts of the district at Cromwell prices.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,
HAVING RECEIVED A NEW AND SELECT
ASSORTMENT OF

IRONMONGERY

Beg to call public attention to the following:

Blasting Powder and Fuse; Long and Short handle Shovels; Picks, Pick Handles, and Sledge Forks; Pannikins, Gold Dishes, Billies; Galvanised Iron Buckets; American Tubs, Buckets, and Barrels; Axes and Handles; Manilla Rope for mining purposes; Drilling Hammers and Handles; White Lead; Castor Oil in bulk; Washing-boards; Brushware of every description; Nails; Canvas; Hose. Pipes—Contracts undertaken for supplying Mining Co.'s with Material of all kinds, on liberal terms. Free delivery.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.'s
DEPOT FOR MINING TOOLS,
CROMWELL.

S H A M R O C K S T O R E,
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SHANLY,
FAMILY GROCER,
GENERAL STOREKEEPER,
is carrying on business at the old-established premises, next to the Bank of New South Wales, Melmore-street.

The BEST QUALITY of GOODS only
is kept in stock.

All orders will meet with prompt attention.

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B E L F A S T S T O R E,
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

WINES, SPIRITS, GROCERIES, HARDWARE, COLONIAL PRODUCE, &c. &c. &c.

JAMES HAZLETT

Begs to inform the Public of the Dunstan District that, in connection with his established business of ten years at Clyde, he has opened EXTENSIVE PREMISES AT CROMWELL, where he will be able to supply the Trade, Runholders, Farmers, and Private Families, with EVERY CLASS OF GOODS, of the very best description, at the lowest current rates.

JAMES HAZLETT would particularly mention that in the FLOUR & COLONIAL PRODUCE BUSINESS he can defy competition, as in that line he is in connection with Messrs WHITTINGHAM BROTHERS, of Queenstown, who are the largest buyers in the Lake District.

J. HAZLETT, being a CASH BUYER in the Dunedin and Melbourne Markets, feels confident he can sell the cheapest and best article in the District, and invites a visit from Purchasers.

Note the address:

JAMES HAZLETT,
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

VICTORIA STORE, CROMWELL

I. WRIGHT,
DRAPER, CLOTHIER, HOSIER,
HABERDASHER, AND
GENERAL STOREKEEPER.

I. WRIGHT is now offering an assortment of NEW and CHEAP GOODS, in

DRESS MATERIALS—Prints, Winceys, Alpacas, all-wool Plaids, French Merinos, &c. Calicos, Flannels, Blankets, Quilts. Toilet Covers, Matting and Drapery. Ladies and Children's Underclothing. BABY LINEN.

Also, a well-selected stock of Women and Children's Boots and Shoes, in leather, kid, and cashmere. Ladies and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed. Ironmongery, Glass, Crockery. Patent Medicines, Fancy Goods. Toys, Jewellery, Cutlery, Stationery. Perfumery, Musical Instruments. Berlin and other Wools. Paperhangings, Brushware. Tobacco and Cigars. and other Goods too numerous to mention.

NEWSAGENT.

JOHN MARSH.

“VALUE FOR MONEY.”

BRIDGE HOTEL,

CROMWELL.

STARKEY'S
KAWARAU HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

Having purchased the above well-known hotel, G. M. STARKEY begs to inform his numerous friends, and the public generally, that it will be his study to maintain the high reputation the KAWARAU HOTEL has long since acquired for comfort.

One of Alcock's prize Billiard Tables (quite new.)

Wines and Spirits of the very best quality.

An efficient Groom always in attendance.

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I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, LAWRENCE,
DUNEDIN, and MELBOURNE,

ARE DIRECT IMPORTERS OF

DRAPEY; BOOTS AND SHOES; GROCERIES; WINES, SPIRITS, AND PROVISIONS; IRONMONGERY; CROCKERY; BUILDING MATERIALS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS; PAPERHANGINGS, OILS, & PAINTS; GRINDERY; FURNITURE AND BEDDING; SADDLERY; AND PATENT MEDICINES.

A supply of WHEAT, OATS, BRAN, & POLLARD always on hand.

Being the only authorised agents for

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN'S BRUNSWICK FLOUR MILLS,
LAKE WAKATIPU,

We are prepared to supply their best Silk-dressed Flour, guaranteed equal to Adelaide.

Having opened a branch establishment in Dunedin, solely for the manufacture of

MENS' CLOTHING,

We are in a position to offer to the public a SUPERIOR CLASS OF GOODS AT REDUCED PRICES.

We therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage hitherto bestowed, and our customers may rest assured that all orders entrusted to our care will be promptly executed.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD,
LATE MR GRANT'S
NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD.

JAMES TAYLOR,
Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger,



&c., &c., &c.,
Has FOR SALE all kinds of Building Material suitable for the district.

Estimates given for Buildings at the Lowest Prices compatible with Good Material and Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings, Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs, Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c. Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners' Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manilla Rope, SADDLERY, &c., cheap.

Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge,
Next door to Kidd's Cromwell Hotel.

EDWARD LINDSAY,
(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),
GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND
MACHINIST,

Begs to intimate to his customers and the general public that he has REMOVED to his NEW PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Melmore Terrace, where he will carry on every description of Blacksmith work and Farriery as heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public generally that he has gone to the expense of getting a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS on a new principle, being the first introduced up-country, which he will guarantee to give general satisfaction; also, that he has made a reduction in the price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES : : 12s.

DRAGHT " : : 17s.

EDWARD LINDSAY,

Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

JOHN W. THOMPSON,
FARRIER AND BLACKSMITH.

J. W. THOMPSON desires to announce to the inhabitants of Cromwell and the District that he has purchased the business lately carried on by Mr JAMES SLOAN as Farrier and Blacksmith. His long practical experience in all branches of the business, combined with moderate charges, will, he trusts, secure him a fair share of public patronage.

THOMPSON'S
VETERINARY AND SHOEING FORGE,
CROMWELL.

THOMAS FOOTE,

TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,
MELMORE TERRACE,
CROMWELL.

Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION
AGENT,
ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT,
CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively to these occupations, business entrusted to my care will receive every attention.

Agent for the New Zealand Fire Insurance Company.

K. P. REETSCHE,
CROMWELL,
COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,
PAPERHANGER, &c.,
Has always on hand a fine selection of Paperhangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every

description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

Cromwell

E. M. U. R. E. L. L.
WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER,
CROMWELL.
All kinds of WATCHES, CLOCKS, and
MUSICAL BOXES cleaned
and repaired.
Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounted.

Observe the address:
NEXT MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.



THE CROMWELL BAKERY,
J. SCOTT,
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread
regularly delivered in all parts of the district.



CR OMWELL BUTCHERY
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on
hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.



FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams,
Bacon, &c., always on hand.

*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout
the district.

BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3d per lb.

SWAN BREWERY,
CROMWELL.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE,
Proprietors.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE are now prepared
to supply their unrivalled XXXX ALES in any
quantity.

Orders left with Mr G. W. GOODGER, Crom-
well, or at the Brewery, will be promptly at-
tended to.

To FARMERS.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE will be purchasers
during the forthcoming season of any quantity
of GOOD MALTING BARLEY.

GOODGER & KUHTZE.

ARRROW FLOUR MILLS.

To Runholders, Storekeepers, Bakers,
and others.

Messrs BUTEL BROS. have much pleasure
in announcing that they have appointed D. A.
JOLLY & Co., of Cromwell, as their agents for
the sale of their SILK-DRESSED FLOUR,
BRAN, and POLLARD.

JOLLY & Co. will be prepared to promptly
execute orders within a radius of Sixty Miles.

FLOUR GUARANTEED.—TERMS LIBERAL.

D. MACKELLAR,

ACCOUNTANT and
GENERAL AGENT.

Star of the East Quartz Mining
Company, Registered;
Colleen Bawn Quartz Mining Com-
pany, Registered;
Kawarau Bridge Company (Messrs
McCormick, Grant, & Richards).

AGENT for The Norwich Union Fire Insurance
Company.

Office: Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Mechanical Drawings furnished.—Specifications
prepared

Cromwell

INTENSE EXCITEMENT!

GREAT CLEARING SALE
AT W. TALBOYS'

LONDON HOUSE.

DRAPERY, CLOTHING, & BOOTS

CAN NOW BE BOUGHT AT THE ABOVE ESTABLISHMENT AT SUCH VERY LOW
PRICES AS TO

EXCITE THE WONDER
OF EVERYONE MAKING A PURCHASE.

Fancy Dresses, 10s 6d, worth 16s
Grenadines, 18s 6d, worth 27s 6d
Figured Lustres, 1s 3d, worth 1s 9d
Brocaded do., 1s 6d, worth 2s
French Merinos, 2s 6d, worth 4s

Prints, 6d, worth 9d
Fast colour do., 7d, worth 10d
Hoyle's best do., 8d, worth 1s
Muslins, 7d, worth 11d
Superior do., 9d, worth 1s 3d

Large Stock of WINCEYS and WINCEY SKIRTINGS, from 1s 3d.
Brown Hollands, 10d, worth 1s 3d
Best do., 1s, worth 1s 6d
Diapers, 1s 3d, worth 2s

Calicoes, 6d, worth 8d
Horrocks's, 7d, worth 10d
Best do., 9d, worth 1s

Bargains in FLANNEL, 1s 6d, worth 2s 3d.

COME EARLY AND SEE THE REMNANT TABLE.

MEN'S CLOTHING.

A few Men's Tweed Suits, 35s, worth 50s.

Tweed Suits, 55s, worth 70s
Extra good do., 60s, worth 80s
Silk-mixed do., 67s 6d, worth 85s

Tweed Coats, 15s, worth 20s
Tweed Coats, 20s, worth 27s 6d
Silk-mixed do., 27s 6d, worth 35s

TWEED TROUSERS AND VESTS, from 17s 6d, worth 27s 6d.
Tweed Trousers, 12s, worth 17s 6d
Corded do., 14s, worth 20s
Best Corded, 16s 6d, worth 22s 6d

Moles, 7s 6d, worth 8s 6d
Do., 8s 6d, worth 10s 6d
Best do., 9s 6d, worth 11s 6d

Men's FLANNELS, large sizes, 5s 6d.—Knitted DRAWERS, in white and grey, 6s 6d.
CRIMEANS, CRIMEANS, from 5s 6d.

FRENCH FELT HATS, from 4s 6d.

BOOTS! BOOTS! BOOTS!

Ladies' Kid Boots, 8s 6d
Black lasting do., 9s 6d

Men's Kid Boots, 14s 6d
Superior do., 17s 6d

Children's Boots will be sold at COST PRICE.

The Watertights and Shooting Boots usually sold at 22s 6d are now reduced to 18s.

All intending purchasers are requested to come early, as the goods are marked at such low
prices that they are bound soon to be sold. It is impossible to quote the price of every article,
but all goods will be sold for cash at the above uniform reduction.

W. TALBOYS,
LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

FOR ONE MONTH ONLY.

J. SOLOMON'S

GENUINE CLEARING SALE

—OF—

DRAPERY, CLOTHING, BOOTS, FANCY GOODS, CROCKERY-
WARE, AND JEWELLERY.

MUST BE SOLD TO MAKE ROOM FOR NEW SEASON'S GOODS.
NO REASONABLE OFFER REFUSED.

J. S. is so well satisfied with the patronage he has received since he opened in Cromwell,
that he has determined to give the public an opportunity of securing goods at such a low figure
as enables him to DEFY COMPETITION.

Ladies' Grenadine Dresses, 18 yds, 10s 6d

Women's Boots, from 5s per pair

Ladies' and Children's Dresses, very cheap

Men's Shirts, from 3s 6d

Ladies' and Children's Trimmed and Untrimmed

Men's best Silk-mixed Suits, 65s

Hats, very cheap.

Men's Boots, of all descriptions, very cheap.

Ladies' made-up Dresses, very cheap

Calico, 6d; Flannels, 1s 6d, per yard

Men's best Silk-mixed Suits, 65s

Hats, very cheap.

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P R O S P E C T U S
IMAGES OF THE D I V
CALEDONIAN QUARTZ MINING COM
PANY, LIMITED,
To be registered under the Mining Companies
Act, 1872.

Capital, £6000, in 3000 shares of £2 each.
Five shillings to be paid on application, Five
Shillings on allotment, and the remainder
as may be settled by the Company after
registration.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS.
Mr Thomas Hazlett, Mr G. M. Starkey
Mr G. T. Stephenson, Mr D. A. Jolly.

SECRETARY.
Charles Colclough.

BANKERS.
Bank of New South Wales, Cromwell.

The present proprietor of the claim desires to
allow the public to participate in this, one of the
few good mining properties in the district, and
proposes to accept 1500 fully paid-up shares, and
£600 cash for the property.

Should the full number of shares not be taken
up upon a date to be fixed by the Provisional
Directors, the moneys paid on application will
be returned, less five per cent. for expenses.

The sum to be paid to the proprietor will ab-
sorb eight shillings per share, leaving two shil-
lings to pay wages, etc., which will be charged
as against the new company from 1st February,
1874.

A considerable quantity of stone, (over 700
tons,) has been raised and crushed, which has
averaged over one ounce per ton, and as greater
depths are reached the stone gives evidence of
increasing richness.

Two shafts have been sunk from the upper
levels to the water level (about eighty feet), and
the tunnel now in course of construction will not
only drain the workings to a depth of 450 feet,
but will open out an extensive field of payable
quartz, capable of keeping the company crush-
ing continuously for years.

The tunnel is one hundred and forty feet into
the ground at present, and the reef may be met
at any moment; in which case the probability
would be that no further calls would require to
be made by the Directors. If any are required,
they will be made not to exceed 1s 6d per share
per month.

Four hundred and fifty feet in length of reef
at present exists under foot in the workings,
proving that an extensive mine only wants de-
velopment.

Applications for information and shares can be
made to any of the Provisional Directors; to
Mr W. O. Ball, broker, Dunedin; or to the un-
dertaken.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Secretary *pro tem.*

K A W A R A U G O R G E C O A L P I T
A N D
L I M E - K I L N.

The undersigned begs to announce that the
above pit is in splendid working order, and that
he is raising coals of an excellent quality.

In connection with the pit, he is also working
a LIME-KILN, and is prepared at a day's no-
tice to supply first-class building lime in any
quantity, and at reasonable rates.

J. W. ROBERTSON.

J. B. LAKE,

S U R G E O N A N D P H Y S I C I A N,
May be consulted at his Residence,
MURRAY-STREET, CROMWELL.

£3 REWARD.

L O S T, one bay cab HORSE, branded
X (with horizontal line drawn through
it) on shoulder, and has small lump on fetlock of
fore leg; one BAY COLT, newly cut, and
branded W (with half circle underneath) on
shoulder; and one BAY DRAUGHT COLT, 2
years old, low-set, branded M on shoulder,
slightly Roman-nosed.

Any party bringing one or all the above to Mr
D. A. JOLLY will receive £1 for each horse.

C A R R I C K R A N G E W A T E R S U P-
PLY CO., REGISTERED.

The EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the
above Company stands adjourned till WEDNES-
DAY, 11th February, at 3 p.m.

Shareholders are invited to attend personally
or by proxy.

JAMES TAYLOR,

Chairman.

WANTED.—A Lad or Youth. Good
Wages given. Apply to WM. EAMES,
Dunstan Hotel, Clyde.

WANTED, a STONEMASON. Ap-
ply to the undersigned, at Kawarau
Station.

JAMES COWAN.

L O S T, a Silver Hunting Lever Watch.
Maker—Rotherham, London; Number
known.

The finder will be rewarded on leaving the
same with

Mr E. MURRELL,
Watchmaker.

F O R S A L E

One THIRD SHARE in RACE and CLAIM
at KAWARAU GORGE.—Apply to

D. MACKELLAR.

F O R S A L E O R T O L E T

The well-known
SHEPHERD'S CREEK HOTEL.

For particulars, apply on the premises.

J. HALLIDAY.

S T A R of the EAST Q.M. COMPANY.

The ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING will be
held on THURSDAY evening, 12th inst., at
7.30 p.m., in the Company's office.

D. MACKELLAR,
Manager.

New Advertisements.

H O S P I T A L E L E C T I O N.

In consequence of a Tie in the Voting, a
NEW ELECTION

will take place at Clyde on 14th FEBRUARY.

(Voters must be subscribers of £1 before

January 14.)

VOTE FOR STIRLING!

If you want a Doctor of proved ability, sobriety,
and attention to his duties,

VOTE FOR STIRLING!

If you want the patients to enter the Hospital
with confidence, and to leave it with praises,

VOTE FOR STIRLING!

FREE COACHES for STIRLING'S FRIENDS

will leave GOODGER'S Hotel on

Election Day.

V.  R.

I N the Warden's Court of the Otago
Gold-fields, holden at Cromwell.

JOHN SALTOUN v. THOMAS HALL.

I hereby notify that by virtue of a Warrant
of Distress in above suit, I will sell by public
auction at the Court House, Cromwell, on
TUESDAY, the 17th day of February, 1874, at
12 noon sharp,

All the Right, Title, and Interest (if any) of
the above-named Defendant (THOMAS
HALL) in and to a certain Quartz Mining
Claim, known as the Royal Standard,
situate at Carrick Range:

Unless this Execution be previously satisfied.

Terms Cash,

WILLIAM HALL,
9/2/74. Bailiff, Dunstan District.

A P O L O G Y

To Mr B. R. BAIRD, Mining Registrar,
Cromwell.

I hereby beg to express my regret at having
used such intemperate language to you on
Saturday evening last, and I beg to withdraw
any offensive statements which I may have made,
as I was speaking under a misapprehension of
the facts of the case.

WILLIAM ROWE.

K I D D'S C O N C E R T H A L L,
C R O M W E L L ,

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,

February 11 and 12.

T H E C A R A N D I N I
O P E R A T I C A N D B A L L A D
C O N C E R T S !

and

M R G E O R G E C O T T E R E L L'S
Elegant and amusing Entertainment,
FACES AND FANCIES.

Doors open at half-past seven: Concert to com-
mence at eight.

Admission—First seats, 4s; second do., 2s 6d.
Tickets to be obtained at the principal Hotels
and Stores.

"TWA HOURS AT HOME."

S O N G S O F S C O T L A N D .

K I D D'S A S S E M B L Y R O O M ,

C R O M W E L L .

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

Mr KENNEDY, the Scottish Vocalist, will
give his entertainment on the SONGS OF SCOTLAND,
assisted by the following Members of his
family:

Miss Helen Kennedy Soprano.
Miss Marjory Kennedy Contralto.
Mr David Kennedy Tenor.
Mr Robert Kennedy Tenor.
Mr James Kennedy Baritone.
Pianoforte Misses Kennedy.

Entire change of Programme each evening.

Admission.—Front Seats, 3s.; Body of Hall, 2s.
Commence at 8. Children in arms not ad-
mitted.

Clyde, FRIDAY, February 20.

Blacks, SATURDAY, February 21.

THOS. KENNEDY,
Agent.

M U R R A Y ' S G R E A T W O R L D

C I R C U S

Will perform in ARROWTOWN

ON

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, & SATURDAY,
when the following talented Company
will perform:—

Mr JAMES BRAHAM, in single, double, and
triple acts of horsemanship.

The BERNARD BROTHERS, the celebrated
Roman Ring and Horizontal Bar per-
formers.

The YOUNG AMERICAN, the champion
plate-spinner, every evening.

Also, a host of other performers male and female.

Concluding each evening with a laughable eques-
trian afterpiece.

Prices: First-class, 5s; second, 2s 6d.

Proprietor Mr MURRAY

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CROMWELL: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1874.

In consequence of pressure upon our
space, we are compelled to omit our usual leader
and other matter. The report of the Town
Council, &c., &c., will be found on our third
page.

We have heard that the Hon. J. M'Lean
has sold the Ardgour and Morven stations to
Colonel Whitmore.

Subscribers to the Dunstan Hospital are
reminded that the election of Surgeon to that in-
stitution takes place on Saturday first, between
the hours of 10 a.m., and 4 p.m.

Shareholders in the Carrick Water Com-
pany are reminded that the adjourned extra-
ordinary meeting takes place on Wednesday, at
3 o'clock. They should either be present per-
sonally or by proxy.

There is more sickness prevailing in the
township of Cromwell at the present time than
has ever been known to exist since Cromwell
was a township. The extraordinary heat we
have been exposed to for the past week or two
has no doubt something to do with it, but we
are strongly inclined to believe the insufficient
and filthy supply of water has a great deal more.
It is a pity we cannot get the doctors to express
an opinion on the subject. It might have some
weight with the Town Council, if they would.

At the meeting of the Miners' Association
on Saturday evening last, a great many extra-
ordinary statements were made in reference to
the way in which a certain Mining Registrar is
mixed up in mining business, to the detriment
of many miners. In consequence thereof, the
resolution which appears in our report was come
to. The statements which were made may be
true or otherwise, for anything we know, but we
must caution the Committee of the Association
to be exceedingly careful in their way of
dealing with such ticklish matters. If any man
wishes to enlist the aid of the Association in re-
dressing his grievances, it is not asking too much
of him to state those grievances in writing. The
Committee would then be in a position to show
the data upon which they were proceeding when
making a complaint to the Government, and the
Secretary would be spared the trouble and (we
may add) the responsibility of detailing the facts
of the case. Statements made verbally, and on
the spur of the moment, are seldom to be relied on.
We recollect well how much trouble and confu-
sion was saved to a certain committee in this
town some time ago, by the ruling of the chair-
man on a similar emergency. It was: "Before
any action can be taken by this Committee, the
complaint must be made in writing." We feel
quite sure the Association Committee will take
these remarks of ours into their consideration the
next time a complaint comes before them. They
can never otherwise hear properly both sides of
the question, and so they might degenerate into
courts of injustice instead of justice.

We entirely agree with the expressed
opinions of the Arrow people (as reported by the
local paper), in reference to the removal of Mr
Warden Stratford to Mount Ida. The members
of the Government in Dunedin do not appear to
be able to realise the fact that the loss of a War-
den who thoroughly understands the business of
a district is a great loss to a district, and that it
is a very small compensation indeed to have the
assistance of the neighbouring one, no matter
how highly qualified. We can vouch that such
is the case, and we in this district can speak
from experience. The way in which the loss is
sustained is hardly explainable, but it is real
enough. No temporary officer does, or as a
matter of fact can, take the interest in the dis-
trict that a permanent one would, and conse-
quently the district has to suffer from these fre-
quent changes. Putting the district to one side,
we would ask if it is not time Mr Warden Strat-
ford had some sure place of abode. At the
Arrow, Dunstan Creek, Cardrona, and every
place where Mr Stratford has held office, people
have the highest opinion of his conduct as War-
den. Why can't he get settled down?

Our Dunedin correspondent, writing on
the 5th inst. with reference to the opening of the
Dunedin Athenaeum on Sundays, says:—"In
my letter of last week I alluded to this now
well-ventilated question, but wrote under the
erroneous supposition that the Committee in-
tended to take upon themselves the opening of
the reading room on Sundays, without consulting
the wishes of the members. This, I believe,
they had the power to do, but it was considered
advisable to submit the question to a meeting of
the members, and this was done, as you were in-
formed by telegram, with a result in favour of
the motion that the Athenaeum be opened. In
consequence, however, of there being an attend-
ance of only about 200 members out of a list
comprising something like 800 names, the ques-
tion is to be again discussed and decided at a
meeting called by requisition for Wednesday
next."

By reference to our advertising columns,
it will be seen that there is an abundance of en-
tertainments provided for us during the present
and ensuing weeks. The Carandini family will
give their entertainments on Wednesday and
Thursday first. The Kennedy family will appear
in Cromwell on Thursday, 19th inst.

A subscription list in aid of Mr Robert
M'Lachlan, a well-known miner on the Carrick
Range, has been opened at the Bannockburn.
A list, we understand, will also be placed in the
hands of some person in Cromwell. It appears
that Mr M'Lachlan has been in such poor health
for the last six months as to entirely prevent
him from doing any work. For the last four
months, he has been an inmate of the Dunstan
Hospital, and it is now the opinion of Dr Stirling
that a sea voyage is the only remedy which
can be tried to give Mr M'Lachlan any chance
of recovery. Under these circumstances, sub-
scriptions are solicited for the purpose of raising
enough to enable Mr M'Lachlan to go to the
Home country.

A case came under our notice the other
day, when Mr Wm. Bateman made application
to be admitted to the Benevolent Institution in

A meeting of the Committee of the Cromwell Miners' Association was held on Saturday evening last, Mr Arkell, the President, occupying the chair. The inward correspondence consisted of a letter from the Bannockburn Association, in re the purchase of the Kawarau Bridge at the Bannockburn by the Government. The committee approved of and resolved to support the action taken by the Bannockburn Association. Mr Arkell then explained the steps taken by him in reference to Parram's application to purchase land at the Lowburn, which were approved. The sum of £1 was ordered to be paid to Mr Arkell, for expenses going to Clyde. A long discussion then took place in reference to interference in mining matters by Mining Registrars; and it was resolved, upon the motion of Mr Barker, seconded by Mr Vaughan, that a letter be sent to the Secretary for the Gold-fields, asking if Mining Registrars are permitted to hold mining and water rights, and, if so, to state that it is desirable such should not be permitted.

A letter, published in the *Dunstan Times*, from the President of the Otago Miners' Association to the Clyde Secretary, states that a meeting of delegates will take place at Clyde on the 2nd March. No intimation has yet been received by any of our local secretaries, but it is to be presumed they will receive it soon. Miners had better therefore be on the outlook for suitable delegates. The price of gold, the duty on gold, and Maerehewa water question will be the prominent subjects of discussion.

In answer to X.Y.Z., we may state that complete rolls of the voters for the Colony,—i.e., for General Assembly elections,—can be purchased from Mr George Didsbury, the General Government's printer, Wellington. The roll of voters for the Kawarau District can be purchased from Mr John Logan, Government store-keeper. Copies may be had possibly from some private persons in the district, or might possibly be had on loan for Association purposes from Mr Warden Simpson, who acted at last election as Returning Officer.

The following is the only item of business in connection with this district transacted at the last meeting of the Waste Land Board:—"The District Land Officer forwarded an application from Mr John Perriam to purchase section 1, block II., Cromwell, and section 2, block II., Wakefield—being 50 acres of land, part of run 245, and with the runholder's consent. Referred to Warden Simpson to report as to what part he would recommend to be sold."

The Christchurch correspondent of the *Daily Times* has the following item:—"It has been said that there is nothing new under the sun, but I think I can give you something—if not a novelty, at all events a very good attempt at a counterfeit. There is in Cashel-street the shop of a tinsmith, and one of the windows of this shop is frequented by a tame rat. You readers may enquire as to the occupation of this rat. It is to stand upon its hind legs and by clapping its forepaws together to catch flies at a rate that would be deemed incredible but to those who have witnessed the operation."

Mr W. Smart, who is so well known in St. Bathans and Welshman's Gully, lately left for Melbourne. Being anxious to ascertain the real value of the gold from Welshman's, he, in selling to the bank at Dunstan Creek, asked for five ounces of his gold to be given back to him. This average sample, he disposed of in Melbourne. The following is the note of the sample, which has been furnished to us for publication:—"The difference between its weight before and after melting was one-hundredth part, giving 5.284 of gold at £3 17s. 10d., making our gold worth £4 2s. 6d. per ounce exactly."

Value	£4 2 6
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The charge for insurance would still have to be deducted.—*Mount Isa Chronicle*.

Mr William Robertson, of Colac, one of the most early colonists, and largest land-holders of Victoria, is dead. Mr Robertson's connection with the colony dates from before its existence. He, as a Tasmanian settler, contributed to the cost of the expeditions of Batman to Port Phillip, which contributed so much to its settlement in 1836. In his large mansion, at Colac, he entertained the Duke of Edinburgh, when he was doing his tour in the Western District. It is a characteristic and not unworthy illustration of the public spirit of Mr Robertson, and his love of manly sports, that when arrangements were being made preliminary to the great cricket match between Victoria and All England, it was desired to get his son George to play in the match, and to take the captaincy of the Victorian team. The young gentleman naturally declined to quit the bed-side of his dying father for such a task; but the old gentleman thought this was a sort of duty, too, to uphold the honour of the Colony on the cricket field, and sent his son to the contest.—*Times*.

A waggoner named John Mackay, for cruelty to his horses, while drunk at Green Island, was sentenced in the Dunedin police court the other day to a month's imprisonment, without the option of a fine.

A case of a most sickening nature was heard at the Resident Magistrates' Court, Dunedin, on Tuesday last—the accused, Lizzie Powell, a woman of ill-fame, being charged with abducting a weak little girl from her father and mother for evil purposes. It was shown that the woman had decoyed the child to run away from home and stop at her brothel, where, for two days, she was a witness of the most disgusting conduct. One afternoon, she was conducted through the back streets of the town to the Railway Station, and, with 2s. to pay her fare, directed to go to a woman living at Port Chalmers. On arriving there in the evening she heard that this woman—a notorious character—was in gaol, and she was taken in by the occupant of the house. After that she wandered about until picked up by her father, who had been informed as to her whereabouts. The evidence was most conclusive, no defence being offered, and yet, to the surprise of those present, the charge was dismissed, with a caution to the accused. The Justices not being able to deal summarily with the woman, were reluctant to commit her for trial!—*Daily Times*.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

The following was published as an extra on Friday last:—

DUNEDIN.

FRIDAY, 9.36 a.m.

The Alhambra arrived at the Bluff yesterday at 5 p.m.

A London telegram, dated January 24, announces the death of Dr Livingstone, the great explorer, in June last, at Lake Bemba. He died from dysentery, by which he was attacked after wading through water for four days.

The body was preserved in salt by his native attendants, who proceeded to Zanzibar.

Doubts were thrown on the authenticity of the report at the meeting of the Royal Society, but the English Government subsequently received a confirmatory telegram.

DUNSTAN ANNUAL RACES:

The annual meeting of the Dunstan Jockey Club came off on Thursday and Friday last. The advertised programme was a liberal one for an up-country district, but it unfortunately failed to draw the attendance, either as regards the horses which were entered, or the spectators who came to witness the races, which it deserved. This was caused by several circumstances over which the Stewards could not possibly have had any control, amongst which may be mentioned the occurrence of other important meetings about the same time, each of which of course attracted a number of horses which possibly might have attended this meeting. There is one thing, however, which has proved a great drawback to the meeting, which the Jockey Club can exercise control over, and which, doubtless, they will remedy. That is the time at which the meeting is held. Meetings more or less important take place at or about Christmas time in Cromwell, St. Bathans, and other districts close to Clyde, which are well attended locally, at any rate. Most people get enough of races for one six months about that time. Many people again are looking forward to the Dunedin meeting, and cannot spare time to attend to all the races which come on the board. These reasons, and others which it is needless to mention at the present time, all combined to render the late annual meeting the poorest one which the Dunstan Jockey Club has yet experienced.

The Grand Stand and Booth were in the hands of Mr Thomas Hawthorne, but on account of the very small attendance we are afraid they did not prove a source of profit. It is needless, perhaps, to say that the refreshments and attendance provided by Mr Hawthorne were of a first-class order. We are only giving expression to the general opinion, however, when we disapprove of the plan adopted of having two booths, at one of which one shilling was charged, and at the other a sixpence for drinks. It made an invidious distinction between the customers who patronise the separate booths, if no other argument could be brought forward against the custom; besides, a sixpence is quite enough for a drink.

The attendance of that doubtful class of gentry, professional betting men, under-and-over men, *et hoc genus omne*, was unusually large, but they hardly, we think, made a pile by their exertions.

The Stewards did the best they could under the unfavorable circumstances in which they were placed, but we can hardly praise them for the manner in which they quite unnecessarily prolonged the time during which the races extended. The first race of each day was not started till half-past two o'clock; and on the second day they allowed an interval of more than two and a half hours to elapse before the first and second races. It is all very well to prolong the time in such a way as to help the boothholder through with his speculation, but a first and great consideration should be the convenience and pleasure of the spectators. It would be well to have this matter thoroughly understood in future:—That races will begin at such and such a time, and that an interval of so long will be allowed between each race, no matter who wins or loses by the transaction. It is a contrary course of conduct which has in a great measure brought races and sports of all kinds to be looked upon as mere publicans' arrangements.

To conclude these introductory remarks, we should suggest that the question of amalgamating the various up-country Clubs, or at least the Dunstan and Cromwell Jockey Clubs, should be seriously discussed. They might unite under the name of the Otago Central Jockey Club, or some such name; and they might hold a Spring Meeting at Clyde at a suitable time of the year, and an Annual Meeting at Cromwell about the Christmas time, as at present, or vice versa as the case might be. It would hardly do for the Dunstan Jockey Club to have another meeting like the one which has just passed over.

The races in detail are as follows:—

FIRST DAY.

MAIDEN PLATE of 30 sovs., for all horses that have never won an advertised prize of £25. Distance, one mile and a half. Weight for age.

Capt. Hutchison's b g Earl of Lynne, 3 yrs, 1st 8lb.

Mr R. Kidd's c g Port Philip Buck, 5 yrs, 9st 10lb.

Two horses only started for this race.

The Earl, within the first quarter of a mile, got nearly a hundred yards ahead of the Buck, and kept something like that till the

finish. The rider of the Earl, in short, could not hold his horse back.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 70 sovs. Distance, one mile and a half.

Mr Hazlett's Brunette, aged, 8st 1

Mr Cox's b g Fenian, aged, 7st 2lb 2

Capt. Hutchison's b m Butterfy, aged, 8st 3

The three horses were started almost in a line, but Brunette at once made a swerve for the saddling paddock, and ere her jockey got her into running again, she had quite lost thirty or forty yards. Fenian and Butterfy made a good race of it for about three-quarters of a mile, with Brunette in the position indicated. Butterfy flagged, and allowed Brunette to pass her. Fenian maintained the lead till entering the straight, when he also suddenly flagged, and allowed the mare to pass him with great ease. She then won easily.

HACK SELLING RACE of 15 sovs. Open to all untrained horses. No weight under 10st. Three-quarter mile heats.

Little Nell 1

St. Patrick 2

Polly 3

Little Nell won both heats easily. She was afterwards put up at auction by Mr Stanbrook, and bought in by the owner for £17.

MEMBERS' HANDICAP of 40 sovs. Distance, one mile.

Mr Hazlett's b m Brunette w.o.

HANDICAP TROTTING RACE of 20 sovs. No weight under 10st. Distance, two miles.

Mr Low's Tapioca, 175 yds 1

Mr Scott's Jessie, 175 yds 2

Mr Martin's Mary Anne, 150 yds 3

Thomson's Dick, scratch; Stewart's Stumpy, 150 yards; Spratt's Bobby, 225 yards; Hall's Tommy, 275 yards; Rowland's Lizzie, 300 yards; Walker's Kate, 300 yards; Grindley's Alfred, 375 yards, were also entered.

SECOND DAY.

ALEXANDRA STAKES of 60 sovs. Winner to be sold (with engagements) immediately after the race, and any surplus to go to the race fund. If to be sold for £50, weight for age; for £40, allowed 7lb; for £30, 14lb; for £20, 21lb; for £10, allowed 28lb. One mile and a distance.

Mr Cox's b g Fenian, £10, aged, 8st 1lb (Malone) 1

Mr Hazlett's b m Taffrail, £10, aged, 8st 1lb (M'Nulty) 2

Mr Kidd's c g Port Philip Buck, £40, 5 yrs, 8st 12lb (Ballantyne) 3

Captain Hutchison's b c Duke, £40, 6st 5lb (Otter) 0

An excellent start was effected in this race. After passing the Stand the first time, Fenian took the lead, with the Buck and Taffrail together and not far behind, and the Duke last; this position being maintained till half the distance was accomplished. Taffrail here left the Buck, but was not able to overtake Fenian, who kept his lead to the finish, and won amidst great acclamation. The winner was afterwards put up at auction by Mr Stanbrook, and knocked down for £37, the owner, Mr Taggart, being the purchaser.

PRIVATE TROTTING MATCH, for £—a side. Distance, a mile and a half, with 10st up.

Mr Low's Tapioca 1

Mr Glassford's Dick 2

This private match was a gift for Mr Low's Tapioca. Dick at first could not be persuaded to trot his best, and whenever he was pushed he broke. Two or three good sprints he made, however, were enough to convince any one that if he had been willing to go he would have won the match.

DUNSTAN JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 100 sovs., with a sweep of three guineas to go to second horse. Distance, two miles.

Mr Hazlett's b m Brunette, aged, 8st 5lb (M'Nulty) 1

Mr Hazlett's b g Atlas, aged, 9st 6lb (Waddell) 2

Captain Hutchison's c m Butterfy, 5 yrs, 7st 4lb (Malone) 3

Earl of Lynne, at 7st 2lb, and Boomerang, 7st 10lb, were scratch for this race.

Atlas went off with the lead, with Butterfy second, Brunette behind. A first-rate race then ensued, and at one time it looked as if Brunette, with which Mr Hazlett had declared to win, could not manage it. She managed, however, in the straight to get to the front, with Atlas and Butterfy close in attendance. Every time the last-named made an effort to get up, Atlas's rider let the old horse out a little, apparently determined not to give the slightest chance away if anything should go wrong with the mare. Butterfy then kept on the girths of Atlas till the post was reached, with Brunette first past it.

HACK RACE of 15 sovs. Open to all untrained horses. No weight under 9st. Distance, a mile and a half.

Young's Swindle 1

Cowan's Hydrax (late Wild Rose) 2

Mellor's Darkie, Taggart's Pretence, and Miller's Paddy also ran.

Hydrax was allowed to get too far behind before being called upon. When she was, however, she passed all the horses except Swindle, who won easily. Mellor's Darkie came in a bad third, and Taggart's Pretence (late Doodlem-buck) a worse fourth. Paddy was nowhere.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP of 25 sovs. Distance, one mile.

Mr Hazlett's b m Taffrail 1

Captain Hutchison's c m Butterfy 2

Taffrail had the heaviest weight to carry, but she proved the best horse.

There was only one entry, that of Mr Hazlett's Taffrail, for the Selling Race, and out of consideration for the funds of the Club, it is to be supposed, he scratched her.

There was consequently no race.

The Hospital race was run off on Saturday, but we have not heard who was the winner of this stake.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

CARRICK WATER RACE.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—I have perused with much interest the long and interesting leader which appeared in your last issue, relative to the affairs of the Carrick Range Water Supply Company, and have jotted down a few notes for the purpose of replying to several of the remarks therein contained. But as what I have to say about the first part of your article can be just as well said next week, I will at present confine my remarks to the latter part alone.

You state truly that large sums of money have been spent, and a great deal of trouble taken, for the purpose of obtaining from the Government the loan of £4000, and that the only thing now to be done is to hold a *pro forma* meeting for the purpose of legally authorising the borrowing of this sum.

And you say: "This is the reason why an extraordinary meeting of the shareholders was called for last Wednesday, and we feel sure the importance of it was not

properly understood, or the requisite number of shareholders would have been present, either personally or by proxy."

You then state that about £5000 at the utmost will complete the race.

So far, your leader purports to be historical. And then you proceed to advise the company as to the best way of extricating themselves from the "unfortunate position" in which they now are.

Your advice seems to be to this effect:—Have nothing to do with the £4000 to be got from the Government, but canvass the district for purchasers of shares, then try and sell shares elsewhere; if shares cannot be sold then sell the race to pay expenses.

Now, Sir, I agree with you that if the shareholders had known the importance of the last extraordinary meeting called they would have been present to have legalised the borrowing of the money; therefore I suggest to (not "advise") the Company that they should not throw away all the money and time that they have expended in endeavouring to obtain this loan, but that, on the contrary, they should give each individual shareholder personal notice of the importance of his being present personally or by proxy at the extraordinary meeting to be held next Wednesday, which might be again adjourned for that purpose; and that at this adjourned meeting the *pro forma* resolution should be passed.

They would then at once get the money (either £4000 or less), and could go to the public again upon fresh data, and would have reasonable grounds for believing that their canvass would then be successful.

But on the contrary, if your advice is accepted, what reasonable grounds have they for supposing that the canvass will be successful?

The company now stand in nearly the same position as they did a year ago, except that they owe over £1000 more than then, and that now all the money that can be called up has been called up upon the shares, though of course I admit that more has been done on the race.

With regard to your advice that the race should be sold, I think there is no occasion to say much upon that point to induce the present shareholders at once to renounce it; for well they know that the principal and almost the only opponents the company have had from the beginning are those who, having lain idly by until the projectors of the company had proved that the scheme must be a success if proceeded with, are watching anxiously, longing to take possession of the race as soon as abandoned, as wrecks long to take possession of a deserted ship which they trust will soon be drifted on to the shore.—I am, &c.,

H. W. SMYTHES.

Cromwell, February 9.

BANKRUPTCY ACT NOTICE.

QUARTZ MINING MEMORANDA.

B E N D I G O.

LUCKNOW CO.—Mr Colclough reports that there is no change to note in the character of the work. The alleged discovery of a vein, supposed to be the reef, some thirty feet back in the tunnel, is without foundation in truth, as also that the manager contemplated doing any work towards testing the discovery. Some shareholders visited the mine consequent upon the report, and have the assurance of the manager, Mr Cross, that the report is not correct.

CROMWELL CO.—The Cromwell Company cleaned up a parcel of 54 tons yesterday, with a result of 256 ounces, being at the rate of four ounces to the ton. As reported likely last week, the water in the creek has failed, and the mill will consequently be at a standstill for a time; it is to be hoped only a short time.

RELIANCE CO.—There is nothing fresh to report from the Reliance Company. They are sinking on the shaft.

CARRICK RANGE.

STAR OF THE EAST.—This Company is now crushing. The washing up will take place in about ten days from this date.

HEART OF OAK.—The drive is now in about 140 feet. A cross-drive has been started, and will be continued till the reef is cut.

THE ELIZABETH.—The manager regrets that he is unable to supply any report of the workings this week. An accident took place on Thursday last, whereby one of the workmen, named Harry Wickstrom, got seriously injured. A piece of rock slipped from some of the soft, greasy joints which are met with in all the Carrick reefs, while he was working close to, or underneath it. The poor fellow was promptly removed from his painful position, and afterwards taken to the Dunstan Hospital, a distance of thirty miles. The Hospital surgeon reported him on Saturday last as being seriously injured internally.

UNITED COMPANY.—The tunnel, which will catch the Caledonian line on the other side of the spur, is now in about fifty feet. The result is looked forward to with great interest. 200 feet, it will be remembered, was contracted for.

THE CALEDONIAN.—Mr Colclough reports that as this claim is about to be thrown into a public company, it has been deemed expedient to suspend active operations in the tunnel, and two men have been placed in the upper workings, where favourable prospects are being obtained. The provisional directors have induced the proprietor, Mr Stephenson, to offer more liberal terms than those stated in the prospectus lately issued, and consequently a new prospectus will shortly be published. In the meantime, intending shareholders may know that, excepting 500 fully paid-up shares, Mr Stephenson will stand on a similar footing with other shareholders; in other words, he will hold 1000 shares liable to the same calls as other shareholders.

AMATEUR CLAIM.—One of the proprietors of the Amateur Claim reports of this claim, which was lately known as the Kohinoor, that it is situated on the Old Royal Standard spur, and nearly one mile south of the John Bull, and due north from the Young Australian. The surface stone has been traced 200 feet up hill, and varies in thickness from one to three feet. The prospects go from 1 dwt. to 10 grs. per dish. One level has been put in for forty feet, but as the reef was not underlying so much as expected, a still lower level is now being put in. It is now in about 90 feet. It has not yet cut the reef, but it is being driven in the direction of a shaft on the reef. The advantage to this claim in putting in the lower level is that it will give them about 400 perpendicular feet to work at, which they will be able to take out quite dry. Nearly a cradle-head stream of water is coming into the tunnel, and this is accepted as a proof, or rather as a strong indication, that the lode continues through the hill.

COLLEEN BAWN.—The shareholders in this company held a meeting on Saturday evening last, at Carrickton, at which it was resolved to again suspend operations till all the calls were fully paid up. Those present did not feel that they should be called upon to pay in advance of their neighbours.

ROYAL STANDARD.—A long fight (legal) has lately taken place between Saltoun and party and Thomas Hall for the possession of this claim. The dispute all took place on the question whether the line which Hall had pegged out was the Royal Standard line or not. It was conclusively shewn by the Surveyor's plan that Hall had pegged out his claim, 100 x 300, in such a way that the diagonal line, about 315 feet, covered the line known as the Standard reef, on which Saltoun wished to peg off a claim. Hall declared that there was no such reef, but that one ran through the centre of his claim, i.e., 100 feet. The evidence, however, was in the opinion of the Bench favourable to Saltoun's view, and the decision was given in accordance therewith. If Hall, in his way of pegging off his claim, really meant to include the Royal Standard, it was rather a neat way of doing it, and is a wrinkle to quartz reefers worth making a memo of. The Warden's opinion was pretty well indicated when he saddled Hall with the costs, and ordered him to accept the line of the Standard as the line to go by. A joke, however, lies concealed behind this decision, for if Hall really was before on a reef, although he will only have 100 feet of the Standard, he will also have his own line on the diagonal of the claim, i.e., 315 feet. Both parties, strange to say, profess themselves equally delighted with the decision.

LAKE WANAKA.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

February 4, 1874.

On a previous occasion when I wrote to you, I mentioned that a craft was on the stocks at Pigeon Island, and that it was expected to be ready in eight months or so. It is now my pleasure to have to chronicle the completion and successful launch of the vessel referred to. The launching was delayed for some time on account of the unfavourable state of the Lake, but the morning of the 2nd inst. presented a fitting opportunity, and at 7 a.m., the dog-shores having been knocked away, the vessel glided with a quick but even movement into the Lake. In the absence of any of the fair sex, (in consequence of distance and the early hour of the day,) the ceremony of baptism was performed by Mr R. H. Wallace, who named her the "Nun," in commemoration of a visit paid to the island a few days previously by the Lady Superior of a Dunedin convent. The Nun is a schooner of about fifty tons, and was built by Mr Alfred Pinn, who was also the builder of the schooner Eureka, which has been trading on the Lake for the last five years. She has been constructed with the view of engaging in the trade of the Lake; and it is to be hoped that, while she will doubtless confer a benefit on those residing in the vicinity, she will also prove a remunerative speculation to the owner. Suited for the Lake as the Eureka may be, and doubtless is in many respects, Mr Pinn, in his new craft, has repaired the faults experience taught him had been made in the former vessel. The manner in which she has been planked is deserving of every commendation, and it is to be especially noticed that she is built of strong natural timbers. Unlike the Eureka, her standing gear is of wire. It is expected that she will be ready for trading in ten days, and I trust that the spirit exhibited by the builder will be repaid by such a trade as will remove any chance of that constant confinement to one place habitual to a Nun.

Shearing is mainly over throughout this district, and the stations by contrast appear duller than usual.

DUNSTAN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

February 9, 1874.

The decision given in the Resident Magistrate's Court a few days ago, in the case of Police v. Stanbrook, auctioneer, for selling Calcutta sweeps after 9 p.m., resulted, as it was reasonable to hope it would, in a dismissal. The slight provocation given which brought forth the action was surely not sufficient to debar our sporting friends from enjoying a privilege which, through custom and time, really belongs to them, even though the same should be a little outside the pale of legality; and it is well that some brake can be put on over-licentiousness, or our liberties as "free-borns" would be endangered. Our plucky knight of the hammer and Prince of Calcuttas, who figured in the case, would in these days require to be armed at all points, for he seems all at once to have met a host of adversaries. What with the police attacking in front, his brothers-in-trade aiming deadly blows behind, the Town Council of Clyde manoeuvring to outflank him, while telegraphic despatches even belie him by saying he is not a recognised knight at all; if he can contend with and vanquish this formidable array, it is not a Knight of the Hammer he ought to be, but a K.C.B. The first of these assailants has already had to bite the dust. The second are too cowardly to face the foe; depriving them of their shelter quite disarms them. The office of the Superintendent denied it to them; and the charge of selling whiskey though not deriving the proceeds, and other times wielding the hammer, must be fought on open ground. Of the next the result is doubtful: the loss of the fifty will stimulate and spur on the assailant; but that money and man may not be both lost to them, I would recommend a treaty of war, and the bone of contention divided fairly. Though such an arrangement will have small chance of being agreed to, still a worse conclusion may be the result.

PASSING NOTES.

(BY A BANNOCKBURN CORRESPONDENT.)

Truly the roads in this district are fearfully and wonderfully made. One is almost tempted to the conclusion that in some instances the surface-men employed must, for the time being, have been imbued with a malignant spirit of ingenuity. Fancy a piece of road being cut on a rising sidling in such a manner that the drainage, both from it and the hillside, must inevitably flow into the centre of the road at the foot of the rise; and if you happen to be in the vicinity where such a method of road-making had been adopted, your fancy will lead you to suppose that some miniature sluicing operations have been carried on, and the tailings deposited where it is not permissible. Roadmen, I should infer, are not properly supervised, though when at their work they most likely think they are (to use a digger's vulgarism) "doing a stroke," which doubtless they are—a Government one.

After all the tall talk about our vast and inexhaustible mineral resources, our bounteous water supply, and such like rhodomontade; after all the "high-falutin'" which Mr Anthony Trollope so much deprecated, what is Otago, as a gold-producing country, in comparison with other places? Look at Bendigo, in Victoria, for instance. The

yield of gold from that district alone, for the year 1873, has been considerably more than twice as much as Otago, with all her vaunting, has been able to produce in that time. Statistics are stubborn things to deal with. The weekly earnings of Otago miners (twenty-four shillings) do not disclose such a very flourishing state of affairs. Otago, in fact, is what miners would call a "good poor man's diggings." No doubt, there is yet a deal of gold in the country, but, as a rule, there is too much dirt mixed with it. In this district alone there are hundreds—I might say thousands—of acres of auriferous ground; but the precious metal is so sparsely disseminated that, under existing circumstances, the ground in most cases would barely pay a Chinaman rice. What is wanted is a plentiful and cheap supply of water. Water is a powerful auxiliary in gold-getting; but it will have to be obtained on very reasonable terms in this district to render the greater portion of the ground remunerative.

The success that attended the miners at Clunes in their efforts to prevent the incoming of Chinese seems to have carried its demoralising influence as far as the West Coast. I see by a telegram from Greymouth, that a body of Chinese, on landing from the Alhambra, were pretty roughly handled by a large crowd of persons assembled on the wharf; the number of police being insufficient to altogether prevent their maltreatment. Should justice overtake the ringleaders, it is to be hoped that the Miners' Association (if there be any) will not disburse any portion of their funds for their benefit, as in the case of the Clunes disturbance. An Association having for its object the advancement and protection of the interests of the class from which it derives its denomination, has a character to maintain, which, together with much of its influence, it in a measure loses when it indirectly upholds strife and disorder. The Clunes miners might be able to advance a reasonable plea in justification of their conduct; but any attempt to vindicate the late outrage at Greymouth would only prove futile. There is no palliation for such deeds of violence. Any just or real ground of complaint should only be met in the proper manner,—by way of petition. Miners enjoy the same privileges in this respect as other classes, and any aggressive demonstration in opposition to law and order will only draw down upon the promoters the indignation and odium of all right-thinking persons.

Whilst on the subject of Miners' Associations, I may as well mention that, after mature deliberation, I have arrived at the conclusion that the charge of a half-a-crown per annum, which is all that is necessary for constituting a member of the district Association, is not an exorbitant one; some persons might even deem it moderate and reasonable. That medium of exchange is not, however, circulating so freely and satisfactorily as could be desired, for it has come to my knowledge that a considerable number of the members have not manifested the same readiness to sustain the funds of the Association as heretofore. This unconcern, or backsliding, is much to be regretted, as it might entail a deal of perplexity and annoyance, should a contingency occur. The requests of the miners of this district, expressed through their Association, have already met with some consideration. It is a duty, then, I know, almost incumbent upon them to aid and countenance to their utmost any body that has been successful in asserting their rights.

"A jest's prosperity lies in the ear
Of him that hears it, never in the tongue
Of him that makes it."

When a friend of mine related to me the following amusing incident, I was considerably tickled, and thought it might have the same effect upon your readers:—During the late season of festivity, a well-known and respected inhabitant of the Kawarau district might have been seen in the main street of Cromwell, in rather a strange quandary. Christmas had evidently told upon him, for he was doing his best to preserve a dignity of carriage, and keep on the sidewalk, which appeared scarcely wide enough for him. Several attempts to keep on the desired track had proved unsuccessful. His legs were evidently not thoroughly under his command, for much to his chagrin and discomfiture, they would persist in taking his body into the roadway. At length his patience had to succumb to the stubborn desire evinced by his uncontrollable supporters, and, in a tone of voice betokening a little anger, but much resignation, he thus addressed them: "Well, walk in the middle of the road, if you will have it so." Which they did, the owner not attempting to interfere any further with their vagaries.

LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(From the Dunedin Dailies.)

LONDON, Jan. 24.

Mr Whalley, M.P. for Peterborough, and a staunch supporter of the Tichborne Claimant, was summoned for contempt of Court, and Chief-Justice Cockburn fined him £250. Mr Whalley refused to pay, and was conveyed to Holloway Prison. Mr Whalley's contempt was in upholding the accuracy of Jean Line's original evidence as to the Osprey picking up the Claimant, and landing him at Melbourne.

The Liverpool wool sales showed a penny and an eighth lower, but better prospects are anticipated. Colonial arrivals to date have reached fifty thousand bales.

January 25.

Mr Gladstone, in addressing his constituents at Greenwich, states that the Queen accepted the advice of her Ministers to dis-

solve parliament, and the new elections will take place immediately. Parliament meets on the 5th of March. Since the defeat of the present Government on the Irish education question, the ministry has not possessed sufficient authority to carry any great legislative measures, and the experience of the recess foreshadows no improvement, and an appeal to the country was, therefore, the proper remedy. The advantages of the dissolution were obvious, because the estimates for the year were so far advanced as to enable him, as Chancellor of the Exchequer, to promise a surplus of £5,000,000. It was the intention of the Government to abolish the income tax, to revise local taxation, and to repeal the duties on certain articles of consumption. Among matters likely to come before the new Parliament was the adjournment of the Education Act, improvement in the system of local government, and amendments in land, game, and liquor laws. He also hoped to see a speedy assimilation of county with borough franchise.

Mr Disraeli, in his address to his constituents of Buckinghamshire, says the Government resorted to a dissolution of Parliament to avoid an explanation relative to the Ashantee war. He characterised Mr Gladstone's programme as indefinite, except as regards that portion relating to the surplus, but every Ministry having a surplus applies it to the reduction of taxation. Conservatives always favoured the abolition of the income taxes and reduction of local taxation, which the Liberals always opposed. Mr Gladstone, he thought, ought to show more energy in dealing with his foreign policy, with less of home legislation.

The announcement of the dissolution of Parliament was unexpected.

Mr Whalley paid his fine, and has been released from prison.

January 27.

Cape Coast news to the 11th states that the troops continue steadily advancing, and keep in good health.

Dr Featherstone, Agent-General for New Zealand, has received Austrian decoration.

January 29.

Mr Hawkins has concluded his reply in the Tichborne case. Chief-Justice Cockburn commenced his summing up, which is expected to occupy a fortnight.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 25.

The marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh was celebrated at St. Petersburg on the afternoon of the 23rd, in the presence of a brilliant and distinguished company. There was a most magnificent ceremony. The service was performed according to the Greek Church first, and the English Church afterwards. A grand review was held, and general festivities followed. The illumination of St. Petersburg extended over three days. The Duke and Duchess visit Moscow, and arrive in England during March.

ROME, January 24.

The Pope is again unwell.

A U S T R A L I A N.

MELBOURNE, January 28.

A young woman, Mary Gibbon, attempted drowning by jumping off Prince's bridge. Assistance was rendered by several men, when a young man, named Wade, unable to swim, lost his life. The woman was saved.

The Clunes dispute is settled.

A married woman, Sarah Salmon, committed suicide by hanging herself from her bed-post, whilst in a state of unsound mind.

A prisoner named John Edgar, after serving six years for rape, was discharged on the ground that it was a case of mistaken identity.

The Pera proceeded down the Bay with a large party, including the Governor and Ministers, at the inauguration of the Victorian mail service. She struck on a shoal off Brighton, and remained an hour before she got off. Pilot Nicholson, who was in charge, was cautioned to be more careful in future.

SYDNEY, January 29.

Great floods in the northern districts are causing immense destruction of crops and other property. Four houses were washed down at Maitland.

The Sydney eighteen beat the English cricketers, with nine wickets to spare.

The triennial Parliament Bill passed both Houses of Assembly, who voted a month's supply.

Heatherone, the bushranger, attempted to commit suicide in Goulburn gaol. He is supposed to be the murderer of Baxter, found dead near Bland.

The Government presented a steam-launch to the Basilisk to facilitate the survey of New Guinea.

The rush to Endeavor River continues.

MELBOURNE, January 31.

Mr Vale, who has occupied the position of Minister of Customs twice, delivered a valedictory address to his constituents. He is about to proceed to Europe to study for the Bar.

A branch of the National Fire and Marine Company of New Zealand has been established here under the management of Mr Francis.

Information has been received that a black woman has been murdered on the Murray. The perpetrators reside in Victoria.

Governor and Mrs Du Cane, with the Earl of Donoughmore, will visit Governor Fergusson at the end of February, and be absent from Tasmania two months. A most disastrous hurricane occurred at St. Lawrence, Northern Queensland. The whole place was made a complete wreck; fortunately no lives were lost.

The English cricketers play at Bathurst to-day, and next week play in Sydney against a combined team of Melbourne and Sydney.

The Palmer River Diggings.

From various sources we gather the following information in regard to the above diggings.

The Rockhampton *Argus* says:—"This newly discovered El Dorado is now the all absorbing topic of conversation, and wherever one goes nothing but the Endeavour River and the Palmer, with their prospects, are spoken about. Our loose population are evidently bent upon trying their luck in the far north, for Mr. Henrique has had no difficulty whatever in filling the 'Morning Light' with passengers and cargo, and enough remain to warrant him in laying on the clipper schooner *Io*, which will sail on Saturday next, and we learn that a number of men have engaged passages in her."

Another journal (the *Ravenswood Miner*) says:—"We have little doubt that the Palmer rush will be the largest that has ever taken place in Queensland. Yesterday a gentleman called on us who had arrived from the North in the Timonee, and he informs us that the day he left Townsville, a ketch arrived from the Endeavour bringing several passengers, one of them—a friend of our informant—giving the most glowing accounts of the richness and great extent of the Palmer diggings. He describes it as the best and largest alluvial field ever discovered in Australia, and only left it in order to make arrangements for permanently settling down, by removing his family from Ravenswood to Palmer. Gold has been obtained in payable quantities twenty miles below the first discovery and sixty miles above it, and it has been traced all along for those distances. Several quartz specimens have been found on the ridges thickly studded with gold, and it was certain there were any amount of rich reefs. At Townsville, many of the local merchants were dispatching goods to the Endeavour, and three schooners were laid on, which would, it was expected, take full cargoes."

Late accounts from the Palmer River diggings are not very favourable. A telegram in the *Sydney Morning Herald* states that a letter appeared in the *Brisbane Courier* of Wednesday last, signed by ten returned miners from the Palmer River. They assert that not an ounce of provisions is purchasable on the field. The estimated amount of gold to arrive by escort is said to be absurd, and it is alleged that so far from the Palmer being the best gold-field ever found in Australia, it is very little above the average of the northern gold-fields. The country is very shallow and easily worked out. Most of the returned diggers did fairly at the Palmer, and intend to return after the wet season; but they warn people not to go without money, horses, and firearms.

Chinese Oaths.

Various forms for swearing the Chinese from time to time have been adopted in Courts of Justice, so as to force them to give truthful evidence. Mr. Stratford, R.M., Arrowtown, the other day made a Chinese undo his tail, kneel on the ground and blow out the orthodox match. Even this ceremony, if it was not the object of the witness to tell the truth, as it was in this case, would not be binding on a Chinaman's conscience. Writing from a long knowledge of this race, both in Victoria and this Colony, we can affirm that the Chinese generally do not feel the weight of any oath so administered as binding upon them. There is a good deal in cutting off the cock's head, but then it requires also the lighting of a Joss stick in the open air. The other oath is an allusion to the ocean that has been crossed, and a reference, or rather an invocation to the Evil One to take them when they are returning home or die, if they swear falsely. A great many will refuse to take both these two, especially the latter one, which they feel terribly binding. In a murder case these are the oaths to administer, and in the Sophia Law's murder case in Melbourne, many years ago, they caused an important Chinese witness to declare his first evidence to be untrue; and who then gave evidence that supplied the missing link, which had baffled the skill of the keen minds analyzing the circumstances that attended the committal of the deed. These forms are hardly adapted for mining cases, but there can be no doubt of the fact that in many instances the mere form of swearing Chinamen does not elicit any more truthful evidence from them than would be obtained by their simple declaration to tell the truth. —*Wakaiip Mail*.

Fatal Boiler Accident at the Thames.

Early on the morning of January 22, at a few minutes past midnight, occurred one of those awful calamities which strike consternation into the community where they occur. The one in question is the most terrible in effect that has yet visited the Thames, and is chiefly due to that bugbear which for years has engaged our engineers' attention—viz., the encrustation of boilers. In this instance, three deaths are the result. The scene of the accident is the Kurauai Gold Mining Company's battery, and the unfortunate sufferers are Alfred Cook, amalgamator to the company, who leaves six children, principally adults; Richard Watson, employed to watch the crushing of the Queen of Beauty stone, leaving a widow and two children (young); and Matthew Paul, in the same capacity for the Crown Prince Company, and leaving a widow and five children. The whole of the deceased had only a short time previous to the accident come on shift, and Cook and Watson were sitting on the door-sill

of the boiler-house, a few feet off the furnace of the boiler, eating their food; while Paul, with a shovel, was passing to secure a live coal to light his pipe. The two men, Cook and Watson, were blown against the shoots of the "buddle," about thirty-four feet away, and such was the force that they actually broke the fluming that feeds the bundle, while the live coals were thrown over the close fence and beyond the Tararu road, a distance of about ninety feet. Cook was almost insensible when first noticed, and Watson was very little better, both sitting against the water shoots, a greater portion of their clothing and boots being blown off. Their cries were heart-rending, water being asked for, and their shirts to be unloosed, as they were choking; but, poor fellows, their sufferings were past alleviation in this respect, beyond applying oil to soothe their bodies. They were severely scalded over the whole of their bodies, and 'on' the medical gentleman seeing them all hopes were lost. Paul, after his fall, got up and walked into the battery and asked one of the men for a blanket, and during the search for this he drew his right over his left hand, when the whole of the skin and nails came away in one mass, when the poor fellow exclaimed, "I am done for." When he reached the hospital hopes were entertained that he would survive, but he died about eight a.m., Watson at six, and Cook at four; an interval of two hours between each. The escape of Kay, the engine driver and fireman, was miraculous. He had just left the stoke or boiler house and proceeded to the engine-room, and whilst there heard a low rumbling noise, and attempted to get back to the boilers, but could not; and he made his escape out of a window to the back of the battery, and in so doing received some slight scalds. —*New Zealand Herald*.

Josh Billings on the Goslin.

The goslin is the old goose's young child. They are yellor all over, and az soft az a ball of worsted. Their foot is wove whole, and they can swim az easy az a drop of kaster oil on the water. They are born annually about the 15th of May, and waz never known tew die natrally. If a man should tell me that he saw a goose die a natrally and square deth, I wouldn't believe him under oath after that, not even if he swore he had lied about seeing a goose die. The goose are different in one respect from the human family, who are said tew grow weaker but wiser; whereaz a goose alwus grows tuffer and more phoolish. I have seen a goose that they sed was ninety-three years old last June, and he didn't lqok a day older than one that was seventeen. The goslin waddles when he walks, and paddles when he swims, but never dives, like a duck, out ov sight in the water, but only changes ends. The food of the goslin iz rye, corn, oats, and barley, sweet apples, hasty pudding, and biled cabbage, cooked potatoze, raw meat, and turnips, stale bred, kold hash, and buckwheat cakes that are left over. They ain't so partiklar az sum other pholks about what they eat, and won't git mad and quit if they kan't have wet toast and larn chops every morning for breakfast. If I waz a going tew keep boarders, I would not want any better feeders than an old she goose and twelve goslings. If I couldn't suit them, I should konklude I had mistaken my kalling. Roast goslin is good nourishment, if yu can get enuff ov it, but there ain't much waste meat on a goslin after yu have got rid of their feathers, and dug them out inside. I have alwus noticed when when you pass your plate up for some more baked goslin at a hotel, the colored brother cumz bak with empty plate, and tolls: "Mister, the roast goslin is no more."

Driving a Hen.

When a woman has a hen to drive into the coop, she takes hold of her loops with both hands, and shakes them quietly towards the delinquent, and says, "Shew, where?" The hen takes one look at the object, to convince herself that it's a woman, and then stalks majestically into the coop, in perfect disgust of the sex. A man don't do that way. He goes out of doors and says, "It is strange nobody in this house can drive a hen but myself." And, picking up a stick of wood, hurls it at the offending biped, and observes, "Get in there, you thief!" The hen immediately loses her reason, and dashes to the opposite end of the yard. The man straightforward dashes after her. She comes back again with her head down, her wings out, and followed by an assortment of stove-wood, fruit-cans, and coal-clinkers, with a much puffing and very mad man in the rear. Then she skims up on the coop, and under the barn, and over a fence or two, around the house, and back again to the coop, all the while talking as only an excited hen can talk, and all the while followed by things convenient for handling, and by a man whose coat is on the sawbuck, and whose hat is on the ground, and whose perspiration and profanity appear to have no limit. By this time the other hens have come out to take a hand in the debate, and help to dodge the missiles, and the man says that every hen on the place shall be sold in the morning, and puts on his things and goes down the street, and the woman dons her loops, and has every one of these hens housed and contented in two minutes, and the only sound heard on the premises is the hammering of the eldest boy as he mends the broken pickets. —*Danbury News*.

His Excellency Mr. Du Cane, Governor of Tasmania, is expected to visit New Zealand shortly.

A Lesson for Lovers.

We shall never forget that evening we spent at Magruder's years ago. We admired Miss Magruder, and we went round to see her. It was summer time, and moonlight, and she sat on the piazza. The carpenter had been there that day, gluing up the rustic chairs on the porch, so we took a seat on the step in front of Miss Magruder, where we could gaze into her eyes and drink in her smiles. It seems probable that the carpenter must have upset his glue-pot on the spot where we sat, for after enjoying Miss Magruder's remarks for a couple of hours, and drinking several of her smiles, we tried to rise for the purpose of going home, but found that we were immovably fixed to the step. Then Miss Magruder kindly said—"Don't be in a hurry;" and we told her we believed we wouldn't. The conversation had a sadder tone after that, and we sat there thinking whether it would be better to ask Miss Magruder to withdraw while we disrobed and went home in Highland costume, or whether we should urge her to warm up the poker so that we could thaw ourselves out, or whether we should give one terrific wrench and then ramble down the yard backward. About midnight Miss Magruder yawned, and said she believed she would go to bed. Then we suddenly asked her if she thought her father would have any objection to lending us his front steps for a few days because we wanted to take them home for a pattern. We think Miss Magruder must have entertained doubts of our sanity, for she rushed in, called her father, and screamed. Magruder came down with a double-barrelled gun. When we explained the situation in a whisper, he procured a saw and cut out the piece of the step to which we were attached. Then we went home wearing the path, and before two o'clock crushed out our young love for Miss Magruder. We never called again, and she threw herself away on a dry-goods man. There is a melancholy satisfaction in recalling these memories of youth, and in reflecting upon the influence of glue upon the emotions of the human heart. —*New York Clipper*.

"Davy Jones' Inkpots."

Mr. Lee says in *Land and Water*:—I have known many amusing instances of the squirting of water or ink by the cuttle-fish, startling the victim of it by its unexpected suddenness. My friend, Tom Hood, unaware of this propensity of the animal, hastened to lay hold of one he had hooked in Loos Harbour, and receiving its *jet d'eau* full in his face, exclaimed that "he did not exactly know what he had on his line, but he thought he had caught a young garden engine." There is a communication between the ink-bag and the funnel or syphon-tube, so that when the ink is ejected it is forcibly thrown out together with the water. The very effort for escape, as the Rev. J. G. Wood has well remarked, thus serves the double purpose of urging the creature away from the danger, and discolouring the water which it moves. This author also mentions an incident of a naval officer's white-duck trousers being "decorated" with its liquid missile, the aggrieved individual asserting that it took deliberate aim for that purpose. Not long ago I had a Saturday night's talk with some Sussex fishermen, with whom my friend J. K. Lord and I had often before held pleasant conversation on matters appertaining to their craft. Cuttle-fish, sometimes called by sailors, "ink-sowers," were mentioned, and one of the party related the following adventure of a shipmate who was present. I must tell it in his own language. "We was out fishin' one quiet night," he said, "and had just got our trawl awash, and was a-goin' to hand it in-board, when Bill, here, all of a sudden let go his holt, roars out like a stuck pig—"Oh-h-h—"What the — is that?" and tumbles backwards into an empty fish-basket. We hadn't no time to tend to him till we got our haul on deck, but I guessed what was up, and when we looked round we pretty nearly split our sides with laughing. There was Bill a leanin' back agin the skiff, wipin' his eyes, to get some muck out of 'em, as he said made 'em smart, and his face for all the world as if Davy Jones had emptied a tar barrel over his head, and he looking as doleful as a schoolboy as had upset the inkstand over his hands and sircared his face all over with it in rubbin' the tears away while he was a-cryin' for fear the master'd lick him. Well, sir, it was one o' them scuttles as we're talkin' about, as we'd brought up, and they can shoot straight and no mistake. It's my opinion as Mr. Scuttle sighted Bill's nose as soon as he come atop of the water, and aimed right at it, for you can see, sir, as Bill's nose looms as red as Beechy Head light in a fog, and any sentinel as misses it must be a fool. Bill won't forget that dose of ink for a good while yet—will 'ee, old man?"

The wife of a baker at Geelong made an unsuccessful attempt to drown herself the other day. She deliberately walked into the sea, clad in a black silk dress, a handsome Paisley shawl, and a fashionable bonnet. She had been drinking.

The expedition, under the leadership of Mr. Gosse, despatched by the South Australian Government to explore the unknown region in the centre of Australia, west of the overland telegraph, made a remarkable discovery 130 miles south of Lake Amadeus. It consisted of a huge monolith, 1100 feet high, and six or seven miles in girth at the base. A stream of water, fed by a spring in the centre of the pyramid, flows from the base.

SELECTED POETRY.

HANS BABY.

So help me gracious, every day
I laugh me vild to see der vay
My small young baby drie to play
Dot funny little baby.

When I look of dhem leetle toes,
Und saw dot funny leetle nose,
Und heard der vay dot rooster crows,
1 shmile like I was gray.

Und when I heard the real nice vay
Dhem beples to my wife they say,
"More like his fader" every day,
I was so broad like blazes.

Sometimes dhene comes a leetle schnall,
Dot's when der viny vell vill crawl
Right in his leetle schtomack schnall,
Dot's too bad for der baby.

Dot makes him sing at night so schweet,
Und gorrybaric he must eat,
Und I must chump shby on my feet
To help dot leetle baby.

He bulls my nose and grabs my hair,
Und grawls me ofer everywhere,
Und slobbers me—but vat I care?
Dot vas my small young baby.

Around my head dot leetle arm,
Vas schquesin me so nice and varin—
Oh! may dhene never coom some harm
To dot schnall leetle baby.

*Dot vas me myself.

VARIETIES.

A drunken Frenchman chatters; a drunken German sings; a drunken Briton fights; a drunken Spaniard swears; a drunken American talks politics.

"Pat, how old are you?"—"Thirty-five next Michachmas, if you count by years; but if you won to reckon my age be all the coortin' divasions and divilment I've had me share av, you might safely set me down as seventy-five."

A DOMESTIC MAN.—Irascible Old Party—"Guard, why didn't you wake me, as I asked you? Here I am miles beyond my station." Guard—"I did try, sir, but all I could ge tyo to say was, 'All right, Maria, get the children their breakfast, and I'll be down in a minute.'"—*Fun*.

A widow in New York has been three times married. Her first husband was Hobbs, the second Hobbs, and the third Robbins. The same door-plate has served for the whole three, and the question now is, what extended name can be procured to fill out the remainder of the space on it.

It is told in a few words. Dr. Gruwel, of Oskaloosa, Indiana, possessed a barn; also a small boy, Joshua; also a box of matches lying on the table in his office. From the fact that Joshua took the matches to the barn, Dr. Gruwel, of Oskaloosa, Indiana, has neither a barn, nor a Joshua.

According to a California paper a young lady of that State, in telling a gentleman about her Yosemite trip, said the scenery was gorgeous, but she didn't like their style of locomotion down there. "How's that," said her friend; "how did you locomote?" "Why don't you think," she replied, "I had to ride a la clothes-pin."

The subject of impressions at first sight was being talked over in a family circle, when the mother of the family said, "I always form an idea of a person on first sight, and generally find it correct." "Mamma," said her youthful son, "Well, my dear, wht is it?" "I want to know what your opinion of me was when you first saw me."

The lady who tapped her husband gently with a fan at a party the other night, and said, "Love, it is growing late; I think we had better go home," is the same one who, after getting home, shook the rolling-pin under his nose and said, "You infernal old scoundrel, you; if you ever look again at that mean, nasty, calico-faced, mackerel-eyed thing that you looked at to-night, I'll bust your head wide open."

A crowd of quarrelsome people were dispersed from the front of a Munson-street residence in a very singular and sudden manner on Saturday night. A stranger visiting the family slipped into the crowd unperceived, and extending an inverted hat, announced that he would take up a collection. Two minutes later he stood there alone, with not a single member of that turbulent mass to be seen in any direction.

The *North Otago Times* expects people to believe the following:—"We are credibly informed that a fashionably-dressed lady, whilst walking past a building in course of erection in Princes-street, Dunedin, a few days ago, received on her head a handful of bricks. She merely cast aloft one withering glance, muttered 'Awkward fellow,' adjusted her towering cranial upholstery, and sailed grandly away, as if nothing had happened."

The poet who wrote this knows how to place things where they will do the most good:—

"Aye, tenderly close his eyelids
In the sleep of tyrant death,
Composing his cold lips sadly,
With tears and bated breath;
The cloots may above him harden
With the turf or the chilting snow,
Oh, bury your dog in the garden,
He'll make the cabbage grow."

Some years ago a dissenting minister was addressing a Sabbath school. Interspersing his remarks with questions on the life and exploits of Samson, he asked among others the following:—"With what remarkable weapon did Samson at one time slay a number of Philistines?" For a while there was no answer; and the minister, to assist the children a little, comical tapping his jaw with the tip of his finger, and at the same time saying, "What's this? What's this?" Quick as thought, a little fellow, quite innocent of mischievous intentions, replied "The jaw bone of an ass, Sir!" A loud titter ran through the school, in which the minister was compelled to join; and he many times afterwards related the incident with thorough appreciation of its fun; though it made him careful in assisting "young ideas" for the future.

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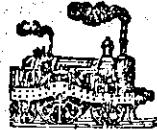
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